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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REPLY TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION DATED 03/04/04

Atty. Docket No. **MYKR1360**

Applicant:

David M. Albert, et al.

Application Number

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10/063,991 For

System and Method of Operation of an Embedded System for a Digital Capacitance Diaphragm

Gauge

Group Art Unit

Examiner

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Confirmation No. 5735

Commissioner of Patents
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The Examiner states that restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-29, drawn to a digitally controlled sensor system (apparatus), classified, for example, in class 73, subglass 754; or

Group II: Claims 30-54, drawn to a method for digitally controlling, classified in class 702, subglass 127.

Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 1-29 of Group I with traverse. The traversal is based on an examination of all the claims not being a burden upon the Office. Therefore, please amend the claims as follows: